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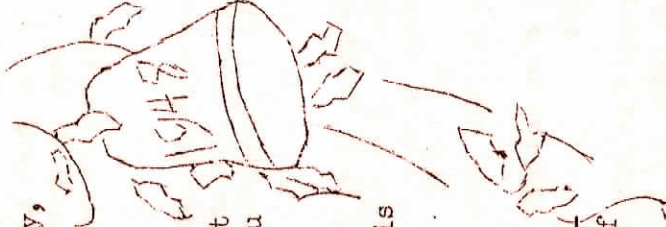
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU!

Beside my typewriter is a little tract entitled "The Secret of a HAPPY NEW YEAR," and I would like to share that secret with you in the following quotation from that tract:

"Believers who truthfully say,
'We also joy in God through our
Lord Jesus Christ' (Romans 5:11),
will have a joyful New Year. If
circumstances ever threaten to
disquiet the believer, he would
do well to ask, 'Why art thou cast
down, O my soul? And why art thou
disquieted within me? Hope in
God!' (Psalm 43:5)

"'Hope thou in God,' for He is
superior to all circumstances,
greater than our fears--He is the
kenedy for all disappointments.

"'Rejoice in the Lord always,
and again I say, Rejoice' (Philippi-
ans 4:4). Such is the secret of
a happy, a joyful New Year!"



At eight o'clock on New Year's morning those of the Bryan family who remained here during the holidays gathered for prayer and asked the Lord for His blessing on the work of the University during the coming year. It would have warmed your hearts as it did ours to hear the prayers that morning and would have brought back to you cherished memories of similar prayer meetings here on the Hill that you were privileged to attend.

We were reminded once again that the work of the Lord here was begun through prayer and can continue only through prayer. YOUR PRAYERS can bring about a happy 1948 on Bryan Hill.

"PRAY WITHOUT CEASING"

RECENT CAMPUS VISITORS

Although her visit only lasted a short time, October 25 and 26, it was a pleasure to have fellowship again on Bryan Hill with Zelpha Russell, ex '37. She counts it a real privilege to open God's Word to young people in the public schools of Cleveland, Tennessee, and the Lord is blessing her work.

Those of you who remember Mary B. Rogers, ex '46, will be glad to hear that she paid a visit to her alma mater on October 26 and 27. When called on for a testimony in chapel she told the student body how much her three years at Bryan meant to her and that, although she graduated from another college, she still considers herself, first of all, a Bryanite. She is now at home in Chattanooga and plans to enter Baptist Student Union work.

Attending our Thanksgiving dinner on November 27 was Irene Correll, ex '49. Not willing to miss any of the activities of the day, she joined the students in a vigorous hike to Laurel Falls. Irene is a physical education director and student at Wheaton College.

As a speaker on our Bible Conference program, Rev. Ralph Toliver, '37, presented to the students and staff on November 1 the need on the foreign mission field. Ralph and Rebecca have been called back to China sooner than they had anticipated and will be sailing with their two daughters and little son sometime in January. Ralph will help in the training of Chinese Christian workers at the Chungking Seminary.

On October 11, Logan Rector, '34, called on friends here at Bryan, and Roland Brady, ex '46, visited us more recently.

On November 29, the Bryan "family" was glad to receive two visitors, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Bennett (former Mary Beth Everson, ex '43). They were married on November 22, in Cleveland, Ohio.

On Thanksgiving Day Eskle Baker, ex '49, stopped by to see Bryan friends, and on December 26 we were glad to have a visit from Ella Mae Crosby, ex '37. Ella Mae is now a Home Demonstration Agent.

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU!

On November 29, 1947, Sue Barger, ex '46, became the wife of Lt. Henry C. Hobday. The wedding was held at the First Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The wedding of Mary Beth Everson, ex '43, took place on November 22 at the Hough Avenue Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio. Her husband is William M. Bennett.

Elaine Kennard, '47, and Paul Syers, ex '50, were married on December 21, in Cambridge, Indiana.

News from China tells us of the engagement of Hazel M. Waller, '43, to Orville P. Carlson. The following article is taken from the Calvary Independent Church bulletin of Lancaster, Pennsylvania:

"HAPPY NEWS has come from China of the engagement of Hazel M. Waller and Orville P. Carlson. Mr. Carlson is known to us, and we congratulate him and pray God's best for them both. Mr. Harrison writes of Orville: 'He has had a full term on the field. He is very good at Chinese and also good at Lisu, so can work with either one. I am very glad for his sake that he will be going back to the work with a wife, as the Lisu country is lonely at best, and doubly so for a single man if alone. Orville is in excellent shape physically and in every other way too.' Miss Simpson wrote of the announcement of the engagement in the Shanghai office, and commented 'Everyone seems to think it is all right, and I am happy for them both! So say we all!'"

Our BEST WISHES to you, Hazel, and to Mr. Carlson --CONGRATULATIONS!

THANK YOU

A special "thank you" goes to those who answered our request concerning addresses for our alumni file. We may be sending another list of names to you in the future and will appreciate any information you can give us about our alumni. If you know of any interesting news about yourself or a fellow "Bryanite", we shall be glad to include it in BRYANETTE.

A son, Harris Mark, was born to Rev. and Mrs. Lester Pifer, ex '46, on October 29, in Fremont, Ohio.

Mr., ex '40, and Mrs., ex '41, Ralph Penick are rejoicing in the arrival of a son, Ralph Allen on October 31, in Amsterdam, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson (former Dorothy White, '40) received a very precious Christmas gift this year. A daughter, Joyce Lorraine, was born to them on Christmas day, in Medina, Ohio.

Lt., ex '39, and Mrs. Vinton Fish announce the arrival of a son, William Lloyd, on December 11, in Fairfield, California.

News About the Penick Family

Excerpts from a letter written by Mrs. R. E. Penick, Clearfield, Pennsylvania.

"Ralph (Ralph Penick, ex '40) is now pastor of the Amsterdam and Bergholz, Ohio Presbyterian churches. He has also been doing substitute teaching in the High School at Amsterdam. They have two lovely children "Patsy" and Allen.

"Landis (Landis Penick, ex '40) is back at the Clearfield, P. O. again after his service with an army Postal Unit in England and France during the war. They have a fine boy, David.

"Helen (Helen (Penick) Johnson, '37.) has two children, Donald and Jeanine. Helen does a lot of P.T.A. work in Altoona.

"Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Ford (Connie Penick, '40, and Rhody Ford, '39) have a red-headed Jerry, and a blonde Cheryl Yvonne. Together they are doing a good work at the Windy Cove and Millboro, Virginia Presbyterian Churches."

ALUMNI ENJOY GET-TOGETHER

The alumni get-together at the home of Beatrice Morgan, '47, proved to be a time of real enjoyment to those who gathered there on November 15 in Cranford, New Jersey. Most of the afternoon was spent in renewing old acquaintances and talking over happy days spent on Bryan Hill.

A delicious Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings was served, and a business meeting followed at which time plans were made to endeavor to secure a contribution of six dollars to the chapel fund from each alumni member in the northeastern area. After the business meeting President Rudd spoke to the group and tried to picture to them Bryan University as it is today, its present need, and its prospects for the future. The program of the day came to a close with the showing of University slides by Mr. Lewis Llewellyn, '38.

CHATS WITH ALUMNI

Managua, Nicaragua

November 1, 1947

Ben S. White, '40

"On the thirtieth of August I went over to Bluefields, an Atlantic port town on the east coast of Nicaragua, spending two months there. As is to be expected of any tropical port town, the climate is hot and there are heavy rains. Bluefields is quite different than the other parts of Nicaragua which I have seen. That part of the country was once a British protectorate, so the Creole population speaks English (of a sort) and the houses, designed about the same as ours in the United States, are of wood with sheet metal roofs. This is quite in contrast with the adobe houses with tile roofs seen elsewhere. The population of over 6,000 is about equally divided between the Creoles and the Ladinos. The Moravian Brethren have work among the Creoles, holding their services in English, while our mission works in Spanish among the Ladinos. This is a needy field and should have your prayers. At present there is no pastor there, but the people are having services as best they can until someone is available. "The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest." Luke 10:2.

Fort Sibut
French Equatorial Africa
December 14, 1947

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rosenau, '44

"Please greet each of the Bryan "family" and the others too with a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"We do praise the Lord with you all there for the way He has been honoring the faith and answering the prayers of His people in behalf of Bryan. We rejoice at the news we have of each new improvement. By the time another three years have passed by we will not be able to recognize the place of our studies."

"Greet especially, Dr. Rudd, Professor Fish, and Dean Ryther for us. We are beginning to know what they mean when they say they are busy, and we continue to ask God for His strength for them as they continue in this service of training workers for the King."

Excerpts from another recent letter from the Rosenaus

"Last week we arrived home from conference tired but happy. It was a blessed eight days spent with all the missionaries here on the field as we heard the Word expounded and as we fellowshiped together. The theme was "Workers together with Christ." The Lord shall give strength and help for the work that is before us, and we ask you to pray for us and also that, before another year dies, other young people will hear, rather respond, to God's call for service. It thrilled our hearts to hear of the answered prayers on each of the stations. Souls are being saved and miracles are being wrought in the lives of the saved people. Two new fields were authorized to be opened this next year, and still others are waiting for the workers and every established station needs more workers. New Bible Schools are being opened and many new out stations are being opened.

"Douglas, Anna Kay, as well as Mama and Daddy, are healthy, and we are thankful for a healthy, happy family."

Orlando, Florida
October 27, 1947

Miss Margaret Lowe, ex '41

"I'm enclosing a small gift for the BRYANETTE. You can't imagine how I enjoy it."

Watersmeet, Michigan
December, 1947

Miss Mildred Baldwin, ex '46

"The news from Bryan sounds so good. Surely the Lord is blessing, I wish I could come down and visit. I know how busy you must be.

"I am doing part-time teaching again--Spanish and typing. The Lord has so graciously supplied me with strength. I have had the flu the past two weeks, but it has given me some precious times of fellowship with Him.

"The verse God gave me before I went to Bryan was "The Lord will perfect that which concerns you." Truly He is an All-Wise--Almighty God, and "He is able." His ways are 'past finding out' and His thoughts toward us are many."

General Paz 132
La Carlota, FCCA
Argentina
November 4, 1947

Mr. and Mrs. Solon Hoyt, (both ex '43)

"It is quite easy to see the hand of God in the work in Argentina as we look back over the last four months since our last prayer and news-letter.

"We have seen the blessing of the Lord in the salvation of souls. Nine have made decisions in Carlota, five of these being children. This coming conference we expect to see five or six from La Carlota obey the Lord in Baptism. The Dowdys rejoiced in the baptism of three adults in Rio Cuarto, October 30th.

"The summer is upon us with its tent meetings, young peoples' camp, daily vacation Bible schools, and conference. Pray for these efforts as well as the furlough for our superintendent and his wife."

Columbia Theological Seminary
Decatur, Georgia
October 27, 1947

Mr. Fred E. Manning, Jr., ex '44

"I have really enjoyed the BRYANETTE since I left Bryan. I am glad for your progress there. I am enjoying now further preparation for His service in the ministry or mission field. Please pray that we may know His will and do it."

Grand Rapids, Michigan
October 19, 1947

Miss Babette Kaltenbach

(Excerpt from card to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hill)

"So happy you are back at Bryan, and I am sure you feel right at home. I have a warm love for the place myself.

"I am now secretary to the Manager of a Printing Plant, but I surely miss my Spanish and French."

Titusville, Florida
October 24, 1947

Mrs. Ben Hall (Mae Wells, ex '38)

"We both have been kept so busy since our return, trying to catch up on all the church activities and also speaking engagements. I have made three talks about our trip and Ben has made fifteen, in various and sundry places. It has been fun and our tour of Europe was just wonderful, but it will also be nice to slip back into normal routine again.

"This last issue of BRYANETTE was read with interest. Thanks for sending it."

Akron, Ohio
October 26, 1947

Rev. Edgerton Reid, '37

"Ralph (Toliver) sent me a nice letter which I was especially glad to get, and he also gave me the name of our alumni treasurer, so I am addressing my contribution to her this time. When I am continually faced with the spread of the "mystery of iniquity" every news of advancement of our Christian forces is good news indeed, that which is represented by the growth of the school and also the families that have grown out of the school."

China Inland Mission
No. 5 Chung Ho H ang
Kunming, Yunnan

Miss Hazel Waller, '43

Written while
traveling on
Yangtze River

"Ever since I arrived in Language School, March 16th in Anking, I have been watching my growing pile of correspondence and haven't done much about it until now. The main thing I remember from March 16 to May 28th is study. The day after I arrived I started in full speed, even forgot I was cold most of the time. China does have beautiful scenery. I have heard so much of the cold and heat, the plains, the wind and the rain, but few people have ever told me of the beautiful sunsets, the mountains and the rushing streams. It is true that much of China isn't pretty but she does have her lovely spots.

"All things come to an end and so language school days are over and now our little group of 64 students is scattered throughout China. Two have gone to the great northwest, seven of us are going to the tribes in the very southwest province, others are in the central part and the southeast.

"The Generalissimo and Madame have their summer home directly across from us in Kuling. They came up for just one week this summer and I was fortunate enough to see them. The Generalissimo appeared in a public meeting celebrating V.J. day and both the Generalissimo and Madame came to English Service church the Sunday they were here. The Generalissimo is a very nice looking man. Madame looks very western. She did have a Chinese gown, however.

"Chinese is a dreadfully hard language. We have done mostly book work thus far and have had little actual contact with the Chinese themselves. We are required to pass six sections of study which will take six years, almost all of our first term in China. The Lord has wonderfully helped me in this first Section. Now we will have much more contact with the Chinese, and I hope to pick up much more conversation than I have thus far."

Lupton, Arizona
November 16, 1947

Miss Mildred Kuntz, '40

"At present I am studying more of this difficult Navajo Language and need much prayer that I will be really able to speak it well and fluently.

"May you all have a blessed Holiday Season."

Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts

November 3, 1947

Mrs. Bertie (Henderson) Sullivan, ex '46

"We are now at the First-Central Baptist Church of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, Joe came up three days after Linda was born, then went back after me in six weeks, and I've been here almost three weeks. Now, we have a "hotel" practically to live in. Only nine rooms and bath, plus a huge attic and cellar and reception hall. Regardless, I'm really enjoying it. We've bought all new furniture and that helps, of course.

"Things are sure changed at our house now! There is a new Queen now. We think she's the sweetest thing this side of Heaven. Naturally! She is so fat. Weighs 12 pounds and 14 ounces.

"Sounds as if Bryan were really growing, for which we praise the Lord."

Columbus, Ohio

October 10, 1947

Mrs. Dorothy (Borrer) Grove, ex '46

"Perhaps you are wondering what has happened to me since leaving Bryan. Well, of course, I entered Ohio State as a sophomore and took music, piano, and voice, as well as other required music courses with the goal of receiving a B.S. in the field of Music in Education; meaning that I would have been qualified to teach music in the public schools. But--it seems that the Lord had other plans, and I only went a year and a half when the Lord brought Dick and me together, and, of course, you know what happened!

"Dick is in graduate school at State, working for his PH. D. which he hopes to receive next June. He has been used of the Lord in preaching and leading Christian activities, and we have been thinking of going to some Bible Institute for a while. But I guess that wherever the Lord leads will be all right with us."

Seal Cove, Maine
October 31, 1947

Mr. Samuel Hemberger, '44

"Greetings from the bonnie northland of Maine. You should have been up here to share in the excitement of our recent Bar Harbor fire, but a few miles away. We're still waiting for a good old rainstorm, haven't had any for weeks, but trust the Lord to send us some soon.

"Will give you a little picture now. . . don't laugh. My little darling wife (Anna K) is sitting nearby doing her sewing or embroidering--or something, our kitten is curled up fast asleep, the temperature is in the low 40's outside and our wood fire is crackling away to make a perfect blend with the fir-scented fragrance in the room. (End of Picture) This is the life! !! It's wonderful!

"But we know that life on Bryan Hill is quite all right too, and from all reports this year is "better-than-ever." Would sure like to see the new chapel and the landscaped campus and everything.

"I am serving as pastor of three churches. We have opportunity in abundance to witness for our Lord, to the folks in our churches."

Havertown, Pennsylvania
October 30, 1947

Miss Elsie Rohrer
(daughter of former staff member)

"On October 4th the American Council of the unabai Mukti Mission voted to accept me as a candidate to go to India under their Board. It is an excellent Board, and I do praise the Lord for the way He has guided me and led me in these past few months. It hardly seems possible that I am really starting on my way after these many long years. I t always seemed like something so far in the future, but praise the Lord He is thrusting me forth now to that needy field.

"It was nice to receive the BRYANETTE and to hear the news about old friends."

Wrightsville, Pennsylvania
November 2, 1947

Miss Anna Margaret Koontz
(former staff member)

"Grace Seminary is remarkable in its spirituality and scholarship. I spent six happy weeks there. I was carrying 17½ hours besides working. I was terribly busy but so thoroughly enjoyed all of my classes that I couldn't bring myself to drop any of them. The Bible was becoming more truly mine because of the light that church history, Greek, Apologetics, and book studies--to say nothing of theology--threw upon it.

"Of course, my preparation seems to be interrupted, but in life as in music the rests are as important as the passages that are full of movements. I am confident that He who hath begun a good work will perform it."

Morganton, North Carolina
October 20, 1947

Miss Inez Causby, ex '50

"I certainly do miss all of you this year and at times grow homesick for Bryan. However, I feel that this is my place for the time being.

"I am so glad for the foundation in Bible that Bryan helped to give me, and especially along the line of evolution. I am glad for the opportunities I have had for witnessing for Christ. I have a fine class of young people in my home church."

Hazard, Kentucky
November 6, 1947

Miss Janet Webb, '39

"Now that I have received the NEWSETTE I can visualize the changes in property and personalities and become a bit homesick to see my friends. I'm very glad you have the Hills back and hope they will remain in good health.

"We, too, have been receiving many blessings from the Lord. Today they finished installing a copper pipe line to the school building which is to be enlarged to provide living quarters for the "home" as soon as the Lord permits. Last week the school was wired, and we are now waiting for an extra electric line to be installed so we can use the electricity. That will make it possible to do the washing there instead of at the neighbor's where all the water has to be carried. You can imagine that with thirty-six in the "family" there is quite a lot of washing, especially when nine of them are below school age."